

Meeting called to order 8:20 PM, 23 July 2008

In attendance:

Heros: Joel Ricketts
Baka: Matthew Collins
Halex: real name withheld
Wolfwings: Chris Armstrong
Travis: Craig Rickel
Drake: Timothy Bayless

Bylaws Changes

Motion was made to strike 'Oklahoma Association of Anthro...' from Section 12, Item 2 and passed 4-0.

Motion was made to strike 'Missouri Exotic Animal Association' from Section 1 of the Articles and replace with 'Missouri Exotic Species Association' by Travis.

Motion to amend motion was made by Heros and seconded to move to change name to 'Missouri Exotic Species Arts Association'.

Motion was made by Travis to amend: add to Section one the words 'Which shall be abbreviated MESA' and was seconded. Carried 2-1.

Carried 3-0

Carried 3-1: Strike Missouri Exotic Animal Association from Section 1 of the Articles of Incorporation and replace with 'Missouri Exotic Species Arts Association'. Further, the following shall be added: "which shall be abbreviated MESA".

Motion made by Travis to create a new standing order: If we are amending a motion that is in itself an amendment, then if the current motion is approved by a 2/3 majority, then all other incidental amendments on the main motion are approved.

Suggested rephrasing by Heros: If a motion is made to amend a motion and passes by a 2/3 majority, then the newly passed summarized amendment shall immediately replace the main motion.

Motion carries 3-0.

Motion was made and carried 1-1 (president voted as required to approve) to limit debate to 5 minutes, with a maximum of 1 minute per person.

Motion made by Heros to replace 'exotic animal art, care' in Article Section 5 Item 1 with 'exotic animal art and artistic endeavors'. Passed 2-1.

Motion to postpone on Articles until next meeting. Passed 3-1.

Motion to postpone on Bylaws and Standing orders until next meeting. Passed 3-1.

Committee on beads:

Pete: Feral used beads to motivate people to attend events.

Pete wants to work out the system.

People can carry beads however they like. Lanyard has a place for them.

Craig: Each department has their own style of bead.

Type of bead should vary from year to year.

Pete: Feral uses tally sheets.

Craig: As long as there are a limited number of beads per department, people can

trade.

Limit the total number of beads by department, etc.

Each bead is 2-3 hours volunteer (ish).

Pete will have proposal regarding beads for 2 meetings from now.

Craig: Why not refund for current year?

Salaries, motivate attendance next year.

Terry: Cleaning – last year at Oklacon. Things weren't getting cleaned. Cleaning system... volunteer beads specifically for cleaning, bathroom maintenance, garbage runs. Fox is proposing a staff position for cleaning and maintenance.

Should we give the president veto power?

Should we make the con chair an elected position?

Selecting a charity: Safari's? Or not?

Pete: Reason hesitant about Safari's: PR, and Oklacon may see it as an intrusion.

Hard to debate that we're not trying to copy or emulate someone else.

Joel: Nothing bad about emulating something that works.

Pete: If we strongly believe in it, then I strongly agree with that.

Open dialogue with officers of OAAA explaining what we're doing once it's official.

Terry: Suggest that if Oklacon does survive we in future search for another charity.

Craig: No obligation to select just one charity.

Missouri organizations?

Transporting animals?

August 10-11. Tour of the Park.

Motion to Adjourn to next Tuesday, July 29, 6 PM.

Meeting closed